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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Trudi Thompson

Application Number	: 10/682,632	Confirmation No.	1246
Filing Date	: October 9, 2003		
Inventor(s)	: John Kracik, et al.		
Title	: MAKE-UP CONTROL SYSTEM FOR TUBULARS		
Group Art Unit	: 3672		
Examiner Name	: Thomas S. Bomar		
Docket No.	: 49964/V186	Date:	April 6, 2006

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

This application is **not** an application of the kind specified in 37 CFR § 1.114(e).

1. THE STATUS OF THE APPLICATION IS AS FOLLOWS:

- a. ☒ Pending (no review proceedings active)
- (1) ☒ An Action was mailed by the Office on December 16, 2005, as to which no appeal under 37 CFR § 1.191 has been filed and
- ☒ a response under 37 CFR § 1.116 was mailed on March 8, 2006
- ☐ via Express Mail
- ☒ with certificate of mailing under 37 CFR § 1.8
- ☒ that Action was a Final Rejection, the finality of which is to be withdrawn by this Request
- ☐ an appeal or civil action under 35 U.S.C. 141, 145 or 146 has been terminated
- (2) ☐ Allowed: the Notice of Allowance was mailed by the Office on
- ☐ the Issue Fee has not been paid
- ☐ the Issue Fee has been paid and a petition under 37 CFR § 1.313 was granted on

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- b. ☐ Pending (with review proceeding active)
An appeal under 37 CFR § 1.191 has been filed. Applicant(s) hereby withdraw that appeal and request reopening of the prosecution of the application.
2. SUBMISSION(S) REQUIRED (check at least one)
- a. Previously submitted
- ☒ Consider the amendments/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on March 8, 2006
- ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal or Reply Brief previously filed on
- ☐ Other:
- b. Enclosed
- ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
- ☐ Documents under 37 CFR § 1.48
- ☒ Petition for Extension of Time
- ☐ Other:

The Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned promptly following receipt and initial review of the application in light of the Submissions(s) for the conduct of, or the scheduling of, a telephone interview in the application.

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
FEE CALCULATION SHEET**

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PART I — BASIC FEE			
BASIC FEE	Small Entity \$395.00	Large Entity \$790.00	\$790

PART II — ADDITIONAL CLAIMS (compared to application before RCE)						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra Claims	Small Entity Rate	Large Entity Rate	FEE
Total Claims	21	*21	0	0 x \$25.00	0 x \$50.00	0
Independent Claims	3	**3	0	0 x \$100.00	0 x \$200.00	0
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim				\$180.00	\$360.00	0
TOTAL CLAIMS FEE						\$0
List Independent Claims: 1, 7, 20						
* IF THE "HIGHEST NUMBER OF TOTAL CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR" IS LESS THAN 20, WRITE "20" IN THIS SPACE. ** IF THE HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID OR IS 3 OR LESS, WRITE "3" IN THIS SPACE.						

1. **FEES** (The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)
- Amount (total from Fee Calculation Sheet)
The Commissioner is authorized to charge the \$790 filing fee to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any transaction to the Deposit Account.
 - The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required for this transaction to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account.

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